

HOUSE BILL 3297
By Whitson

AN ACT to amend Chapter 179 of the Private Acts of 1953; as amended by Chapter 235 of the Private Acts of 1984; and any other acts amendatory thereto, relative to the town of Greeneville.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Chapter 179 of the Private Acts of 1953; as amended by Chapter 235 of the Private Acts of 1984; and any other acts amendatory thereto; is amended by deleting the last paragraph of Section 3 in its entirety and by substituting instead the following language:

“If the governing body of the town of Greeneville, in the case of a vacancy in the office of chief of police, chief of the fire department, or recorder, believes by a majority vote that there is a more qualified individual, without regard to seniority or membership within the classified service, then the governing body, at its discretion, may employ or appoint such person.

SECTION 2. Chapter 179 of the Private Acts of 1953, as amended, is amended in Section 10 by deleting the next to the last sentence of paragraph one (1) and by substituting instead the following language:

In the case of a vacancy in the office of recorder, chief of police, or chief of the fire department, the board shall certify the names of all persons eligible to fill the vacancy, and the governing body of the town of Greeneville shall consider all persons so certified along with any other applicant believed by a majority of the governing body to

be qualified to fill the vacancy; the governing body shall fill such vacancy with the person they believe, by majority vote, to be most qualified to fill the vacancy.

SECTION 3. This act shall have no effect unless it is approved by a two-thirds (2/3) vote of the governing body of the town of Greeneville. Its approval or nonapproval shall be proclaimed by the presiding officer of the town of Greeneville and certified to the secretary of state.

SECTION 4. For the purpose of approving or rejecting the provisions of this act, it shall be effective upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it. For all other purposes, it shall become effective upon being approved as provided in Section 3.

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